

CURRICULUM VITAE

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HIGHER EDUCATION:

Southwest Missouri State University  
Springfield, Missouri  
Bachelor of Science, 1967 (Biology and Chemistry)

St. Louis University School of Medicine  
St. Louis, Missouri  
Doctor of Medicine, 1971

University of Miami School of Law  
Miami, Florida  
Juris Doctor, 1980

POST DOCTORAL TRAINING:

Externship

Homer G. Phillips Hospital (City Hospital Number 2)  
St. Louis 1969-71  
Obstetrics

Internship

Medical Center Hospital of Vermont  
Burlington, Vermont 1971-72  
Anatomic and Clinical Pathology

Residency

Medical Center Hospital of Vermont,  
Burlington, Vermont, 1972-74  
Anatomic and Clinical Pathology

Metropolitan Dade County Medical Examiner's Department/University of Miami  
Miami, Florida 1974-75  
Forensic Pathology

BOARD CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURES:

Diplomat: National Board of Medical Examiners, 1972 No. 121104  
Diplomat: American Board of Pathology  
Anatomic Pathology 1974  
Clinical Pathology 1974

Forensic Pathology 1975  
Licensed Practitioner  
Missouri, 1971, No.33463 (currently inactive)  
Vermont, 1972, No.4635 (currently inactive)  
Florida, 1973, No.21426  
Tennessee, 2002 No 36065  
Admitted to the Bar  
Florida, 1980, No.27054

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Burge Hospital, Burge Protestant Hospital, Lester E Cox Medical Center, Springfield, Missouri  
Medical Technician, Phlebotomist 1959-1962  
Medical Technician, 1962-1964  
Night Supervisor, 1964-1967  
University of Tennessee, College of Medicine, Department of Pharmacology, Memphis, Tennessee  
National Institutes of Health Undergraduate Fellowship 1964  
St. Louis University Hospitals, St. Louis Missouri  
Deputy Director Clinical Chemistry 1967-70  
Chief Toxicologist 1967-70  
St. Louis City Hospital Number 2, Homer G. Phillips Hospital  
Extern Obstetrics and Gynecology 1970-71  
University of Vermont Medical Center Hospital of Vermont  
Intern 1971-72  
Resident 1972-74  
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Burlington, Vermont  
Regional Medical Examiner 1972-74  
Director, Alcohol Testing Laboratory CRASH 1972-74  
Deputy Chief Medical Examiner 1973-74  
United States Public Health Service Reserve  
Assistant Surgeon 1972-74  
Medical Examiner's Department, District 11, Dade County, Miami, Florida  
Associate Medical Examiner, 1974-80  
Deputy Chief Medical Examiner, 1975-80  
Florida Army National Guard  
Captain, Medical Corps 1979  
Major, Medical Corps 1979-84  
United States Army Reserve  
Captain, Medical Corps 1979  
Major, Medical Corps 1979-84  
Lieutenant Colonel 1984-1997, Retired 1997  
Medical Examiner's Office, District 17, Broward County, Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
District (Chief) Medical Examiner, 1980-1994  
University of Miami, School of Medicine, Miami, Florida  
Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology 1974-79  
Assistant Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health 1976-79  
Tenured Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Public Health 1980-1994  
Tenured Associate Professor, Department of Pathology 1979-2000, retired 2000  
Associate Professor, Department of Pathology 2000-**Present**  
Private Practice Forensic Pathology 2000-**Present**

ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES:

St. Louis University School of Medicine  
Student Body President, 1969-71

Student American Medical Association,  
St. Louis Chapter Vice-President, 1969-70

Dade County Medical Association  
Impaired Physician Committee, 1979-80

Florida Medical Association  
Emergency Medical Committee, 1980-83  
Toxicology Committee, 1981-83

Child Seat Belt Council  
Board of Directors 1980-84

American Association for Medical Systems and Informatics  
Chairman Forensic Medicine Information Systems, 1983-85

Jackson Memorial Hospital  
Autopsy Service, Director 1976-1978

University of Miami, School of Medicine  
Pathology Course, Director, 1976-78  
Ph.D.-MD Pathology Course, Director, 1976-78  
Promotions Committee, 1975-77  
Word Processing and Publications Board 1979-83  
Admissions Committee 1995-2000  
Library Committee 1997-2000

United States National Institute of Health Comprehensive Cancer Centers  
Tumor Registry Committee, 1975  
Nomenclature Subcommittee, 1977-78

Broward County, Florida  
Health and Sanitation Board 1980-1994  
Emergency Medical Services Council 1981-84, 1988-1994  
Biracial Committee for Black Concerns, 1983-84

United States Department of Justice, FBI  
Missing/Unidentified Persons Advisory Council 1983-1999

State of Florida, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
Drugs and Driving Panel 1983-88  
Medical Advisory Board, 1984-2001

Organ Donation Consortium, Board of Directors, 1984-87

Organ Procurement Program  
Medical Advisory Board, 1984-90

National Safety Council, Broward County Chapter  
Board of Directors, 1982-86

Anyone in Distress, (AIDS CENTER ONE)  
Board of Directors, 1987-89  
Vice-President, 1988-89  
President, 1989

Tri-County AIDS Task Force  
Board of Directors, 1987-1997

Broward County Commission on Alcoholism  
Board of Directors 1982-2001  
Vice President 1989-1992  
Medical Director 1992-1995  
President 1992-2001

Broward Court Alcohol and Substance Abuse Program  
Medical Director 1995-1998  
Florida Society of Pathologists, 1974-2004  
Forensic Committee 1978-83  
South Florida Society of Pathologists 1974-2004  
American Association for the Advancement of Science 1962-1995  
National Association of Medical Examiners 1971-**PRESENT**  
Board of Directors, 1978-82, 1985-88  
Ad Hoc Committee, Future of Forensic Pathology, 1984-86  
American Academy of Forensic Sciences (Fellow), 1971-**PRESENT**  
Co-chairman Computer and Nomenclature Committee, 1978-79  
Board of Directors Forensic Sciences Foundation, 1984-87  
American College of Legal Medicine (Fellow), 1998-**PRESENT**  
Broward County Medical Association 1980-83  
Broward Police Chiefs Association 1980-1995  
Florida Police Chiefs Association 1980-1995  
Florida Association of Medical Examiners 1980-1994  
Secretary, 1982-92  
Florida Bar Association 1980-**PRESENT**  
American Bar Association 1980-**PRESENT**  
**American Journal of Forensic Medicine and Pathology**  
Board of Editors 1978-91  
**Journal of the American Medical Association**  
Reviewer 1980-**PRESENT**  
**Medical-Legal Update**-Delhi, India  
Editorial Board 1998-**PRESENT**  
**Turkish Journal of Forensic Science** Ankara, Turkey  
Editorial Board 2002-**PRESENT**  
American Society of Clinical Pathology, Fellow 1971-**PRESENT**  
Council on Forensic Pathology, 1978-84, Chairman, 1982-84  
College of American Pathologists Fellow 1971-92, 1999-**PRESENT**  
Forensic Pathology Section, 1982-86  
Computer Consultant, 1978-84  
American Medical Association 1999-**PRESENT**  
Hospice of South Florida  
Medical Consultant, 1979-80  
Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Member, 2005-**PRESENT**  
Citizens Review Board, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2005-2006  
Royal Society of Medicine, London, UK 2010-**PRESENT**

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

Alpha Omega Alpha, 1970 (Medical Honorary Society)  
Alpha Sigma Nu, 1970 (Jesuit Honorary Society)  
Citizen of the Year Alpha Omicron, 1980  
Outstanding Alumnus, Southwest Missouri State University 1980  
Man of the Year, Broward County Funeral Directors Association 1981  
Consultant of the Year, National Safety Council, 1984  
Florida Commendation Medal, Florida National Guard, 1984

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8. Harris LS, Wright RK. "Injuries Fatal to Auto Occupants Using Seat Belts", Proc 18th Conf AAAM, 1974, pp. 30-6
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